

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1035 - HB 1067

April 10, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Continues until June 30, 1999 the current criteria for awarding a Certificate of Need (CON) for Medicare skilled nursing facility beds, which expires July 1, 1997. The bill allows 125 additional beds on an annual basis.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

State Expenditures - Net Impact - Not Significant

Continues the existing 125 cap on skilled nursing facility beds.

In the absence of this legislation it is estimated that the number of nursing home beds would increase by more than 125 resulting in additional cost to the TennCare/Medicaid long term care program exceeding \$3,000,000 annually.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Davenport".

James A. Davenport, Executive Director